

REMARKS

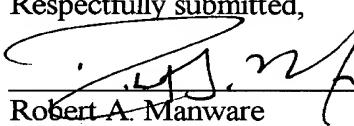
In the Final Official Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-24. On August 3, 2005, Applicants timely filed a Response to the Final Official. On September 2, 2005 and in view of Applicants Response to the Final Official Action, the Examiner issued an Advisory Action indicating that claims 10, 11, 22 and 23 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In view of the allowable subject matter, Applicants have amended the present claims to place the Application in condition for allowance. Specifically, independent claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter previously recited in claim 10. Accordingly, claim 10 has been canceled. Further, independent claim 13 has been amended to include the subject matter previously recited in claim 22. Accordingly, claim 22 has been canceled. In view of these amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-9, 11-21, 23 and 24 are currently in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection and allowance of claims 1-9, 11-21, 23 and 24.

Conclusion

In view of the remarks and amendments set forth above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's rejections and allowance of claims 1-9, 11-21, 23 and 24. If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview will help speed this application toward issuance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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